

Challenges for Analysis and Visualization of Atomic-Detail Simulations of Minimal Cells

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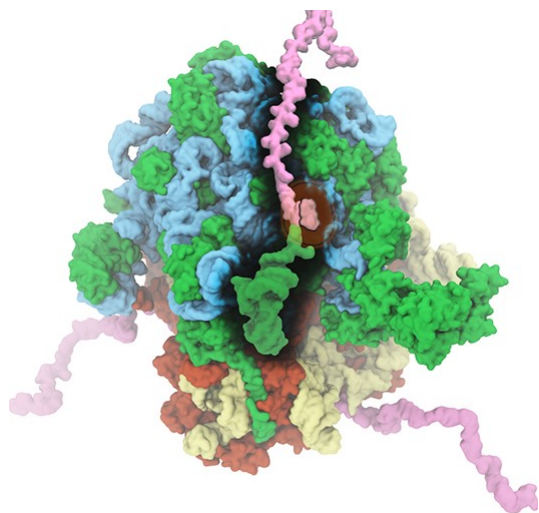
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NAMD & VMD: Computational Microscope

Enable researchers to investigate systems described at the atomic scale

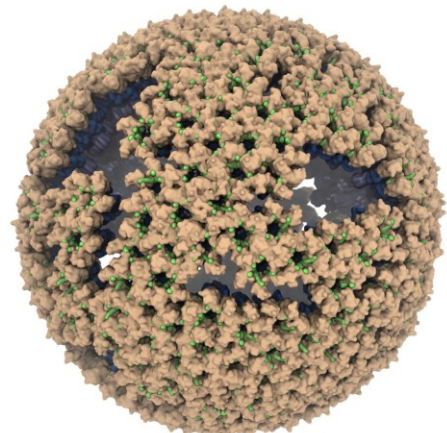
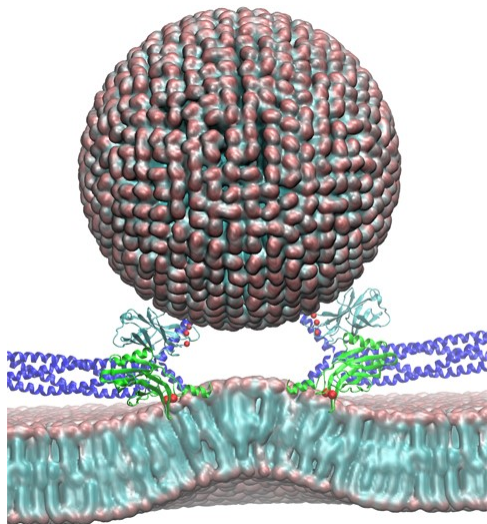
NAMD - molecular dynamics simulation

VMD - visualization, system preparation and analysis



Ribosome

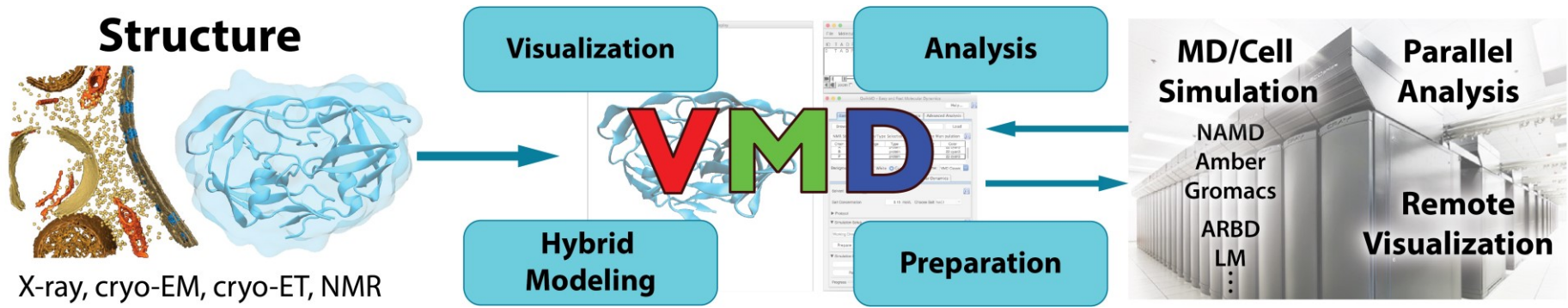
Neuron



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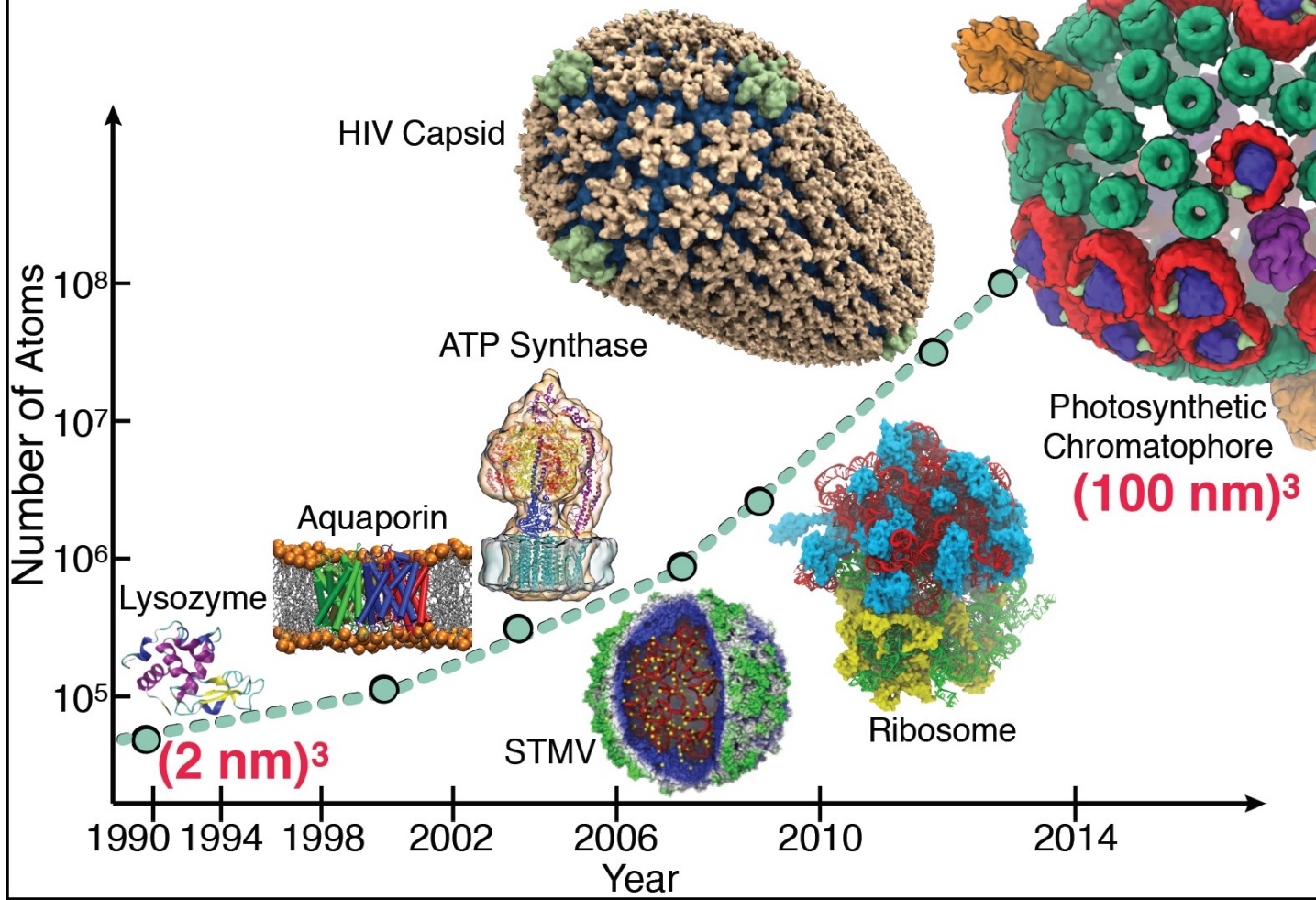
Virus Capsid

NAMD+VMD: Building A Next Generation Modeling Platform



- Provide tools for preparation, simulation, visualization, and analysis
 - Reach cell-scale modeling w/ all-atom MD, coarse graining, Lattice Microbes
 - Improved performance, visual fidelity, exploit advanced technologies (GPUs, VR HMDs)
- Enable hybrid modeling and computational electron microscopy
 - Load, filter, process, interpret, visualize multi-modal structural information
- Connect key software tools to enable state-of-the-art simulations
 - Support new data types, file formats, software interfaces
 - Openness, extensibility, and interoperability are our hallmarks
 - Reusable algorithms made available in NAMD, for other tools

All-Atom Molecular Dynamics Today

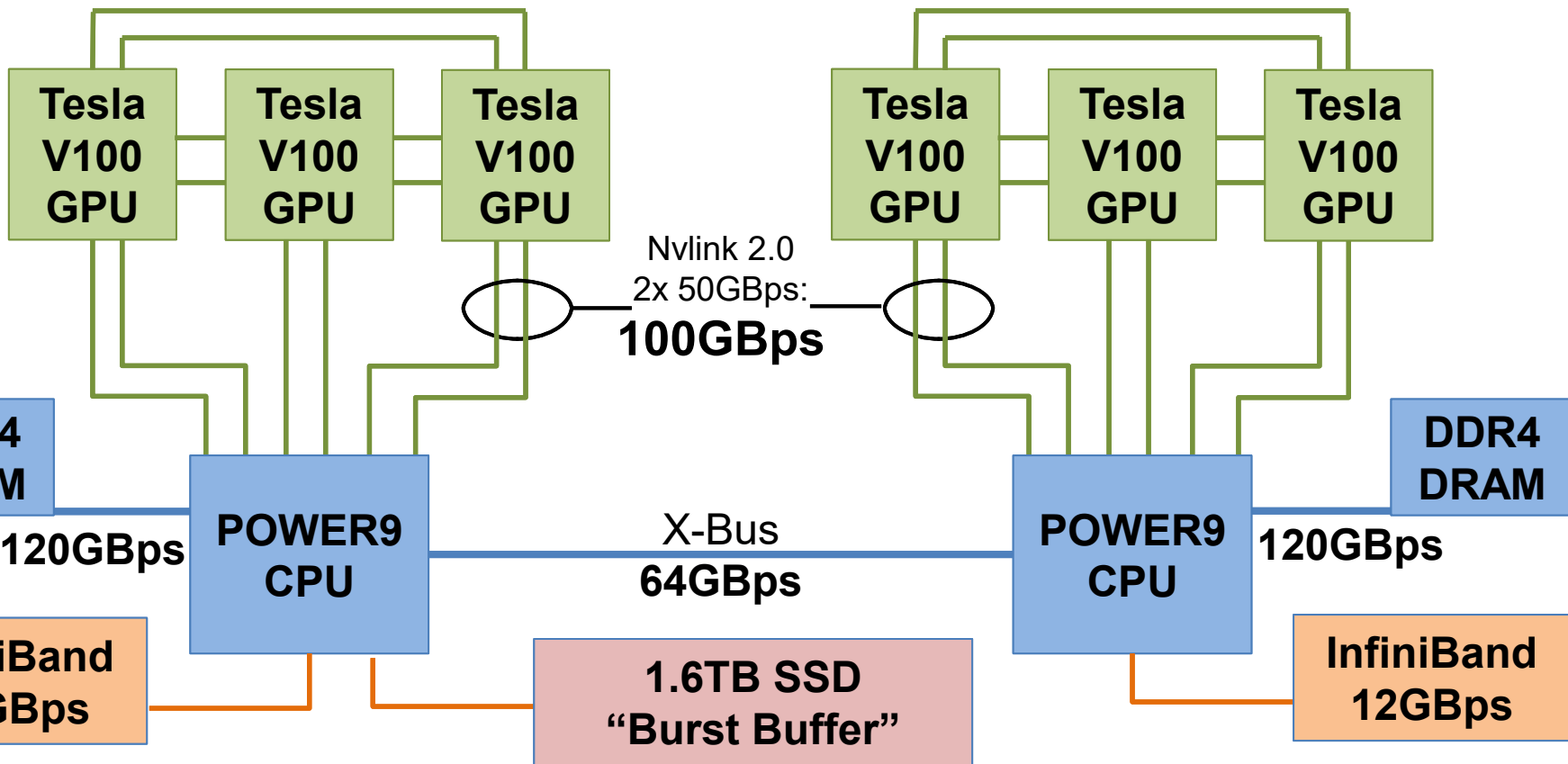


What Drives Increasing Molecular Dynamics System Size and Timescale?

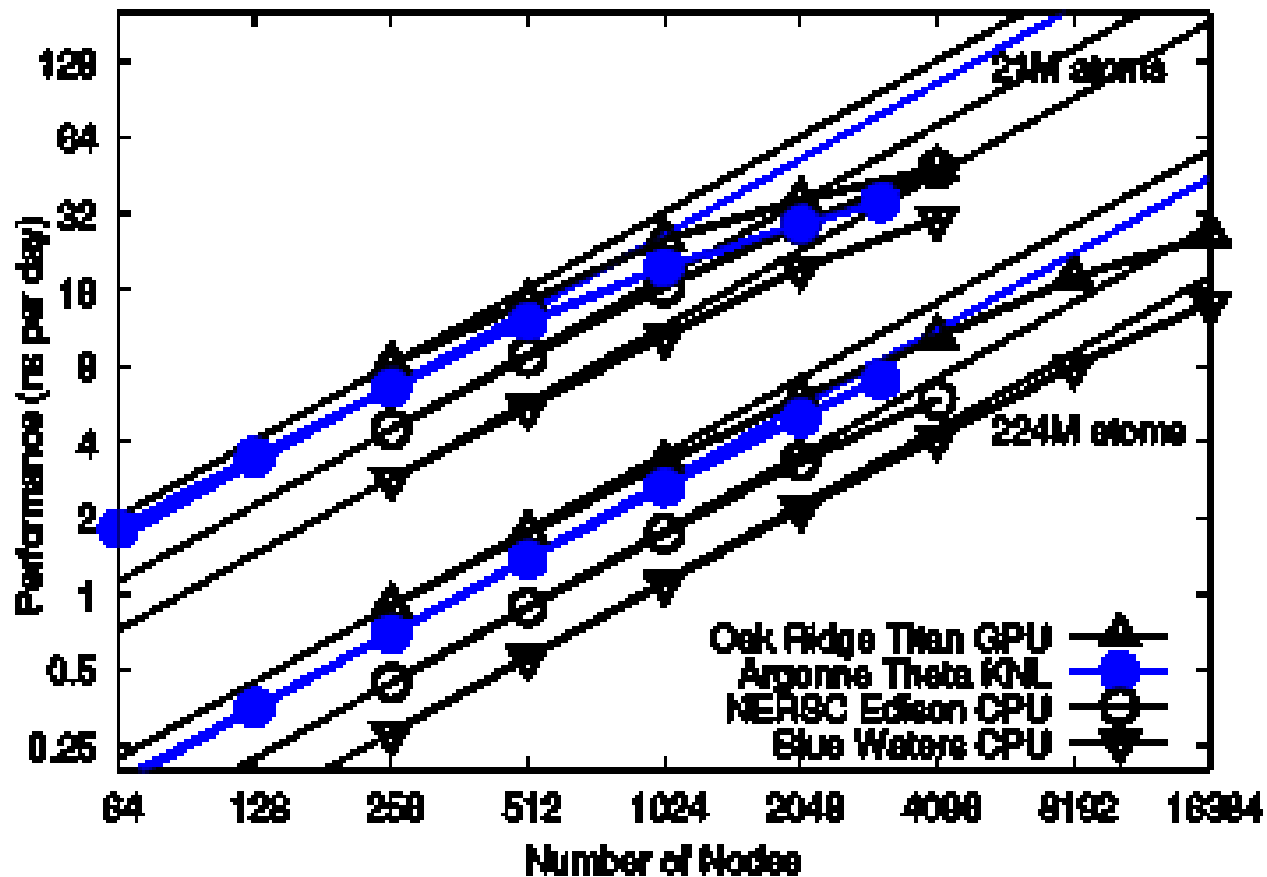
- Working to gain insight into structure and dynamics of molecular basis of disease
- Many **health-relevant biomolecular complexes are large**, and key **processes often occur at long timescales**, presenting many computational challenges...
- New **hybrid modeling approaches** that combine the best structure information from **multiple modalities of experimental imaging**, physics, e.g. from MD force fields:
 - “**Computational Microscopy**”
- **Parallel computing** provides the resources required to keep pace with advances in structure determination and modeling

IBM AC922 Summit Node

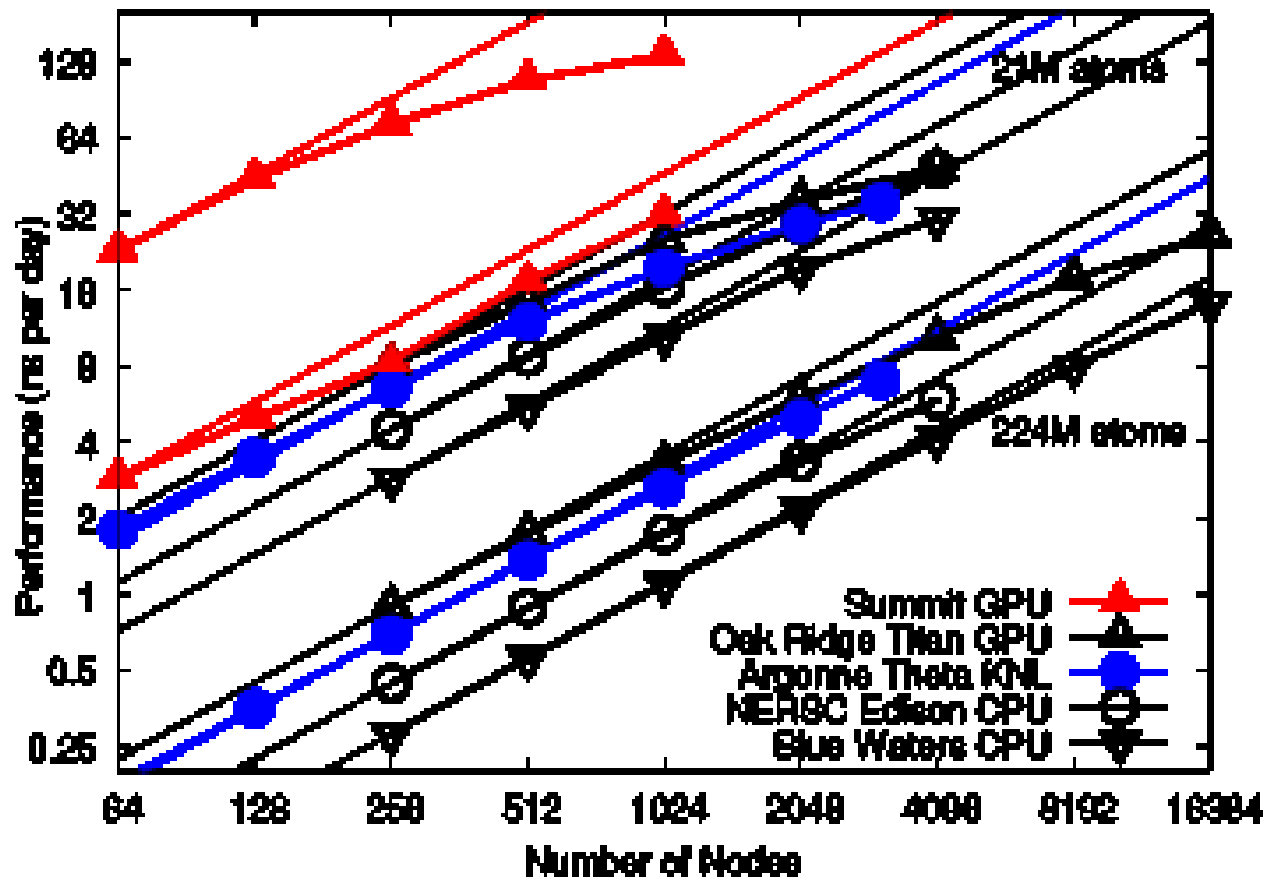
3 GPUs Per CPU Socket



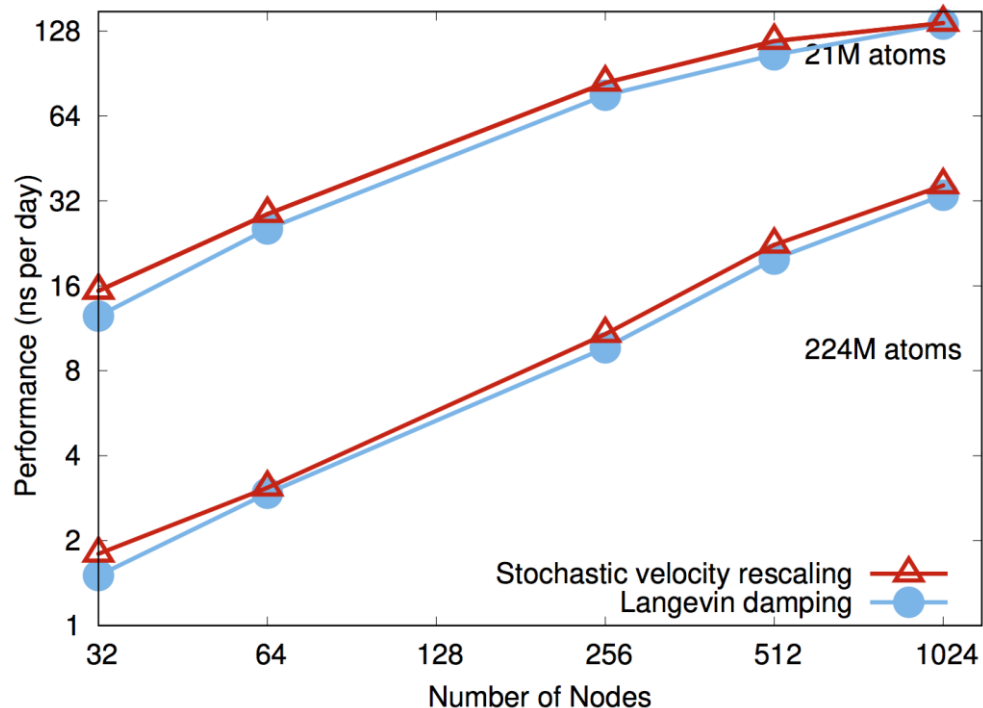
Earliest NAMD Runs on Summit



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NAMD on Summit, May 2018: ~20% Performance Increase



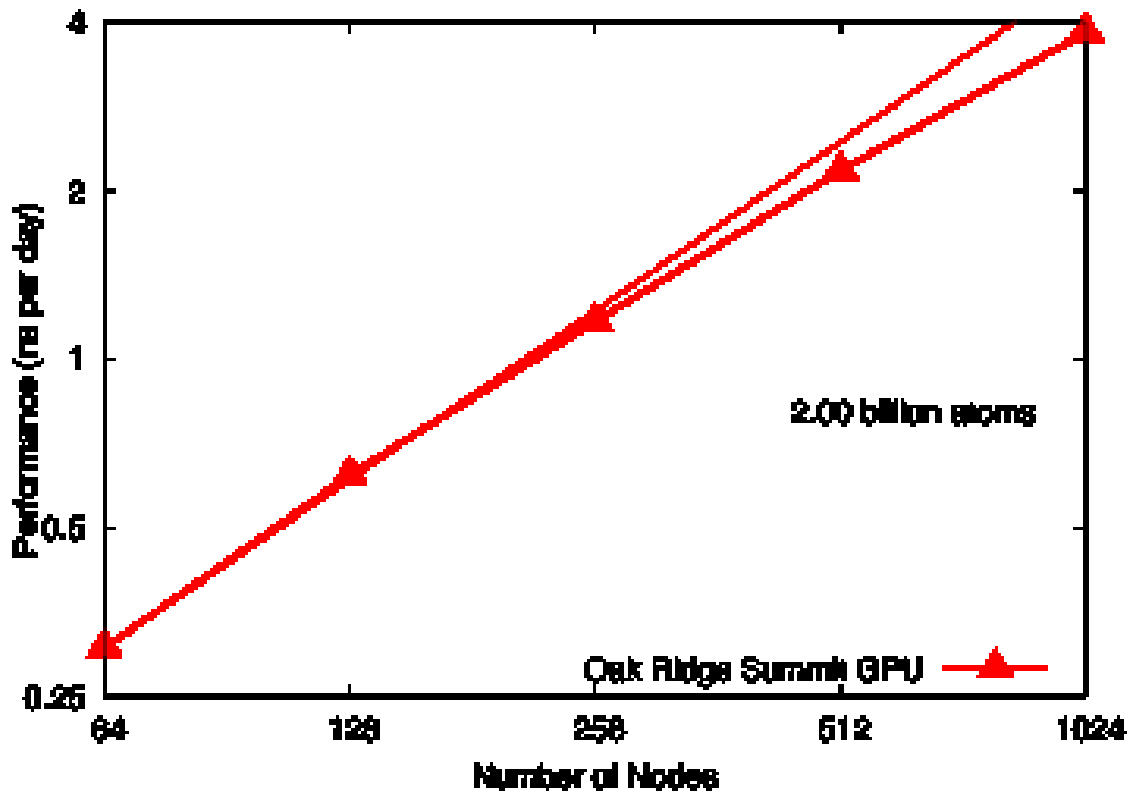
**NAMD simulations can generate up to
10TB of output per day on 20% of Summit**



NAMD 2 Billion Atom Benchmark on 20% of Summit

“Scalable Molecular Dynamics with NAMD on the Summit System”

IBM Journal of Research and Development, 2018. *(In press)*



Molecular Dynamics Trajectory Analysis

- MD simulations sample femtosecond timescales
- Millions of timesteps stored per trajectory
- Dynamics of biomolecular complexes are main interest, but **solvent often accounts for half or more of the simulation content**

Skip I/O for regions of bulk solvent where possible [1]

- Modern MD tools, e.g., VMD, NAMD, LAMMPS, HOOMD, employ extensive **embedded scripting (Python, Tcl, etc)** to permit simulation preparation, custom simulation protocols, **analysis, and visualization**
- Unified collective variables module allows identical analytical computations to be performed within LAMMPS, NAMD, and VMD, during **pre-simulation modeling, in-situ, and post-hoc [2]**

[1] Immersive Out-of-Core Visualization of Large-Size and Long-Timescale Molecular Dynamics Trajectories. J. Stone, K. L. Vandivort, and K. Schulten. G. Bebis et al. (Eds.): *7th International Symposium on Visual Computing (ISVC 2011)*, LNCS 6939, pp. 1-12, 2011.

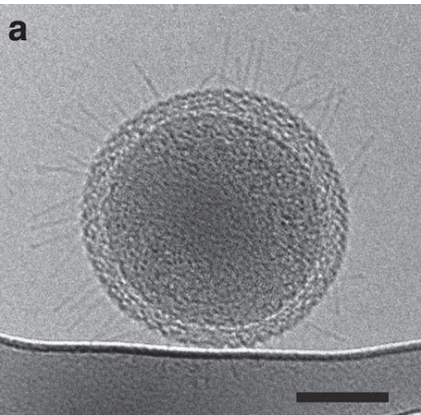
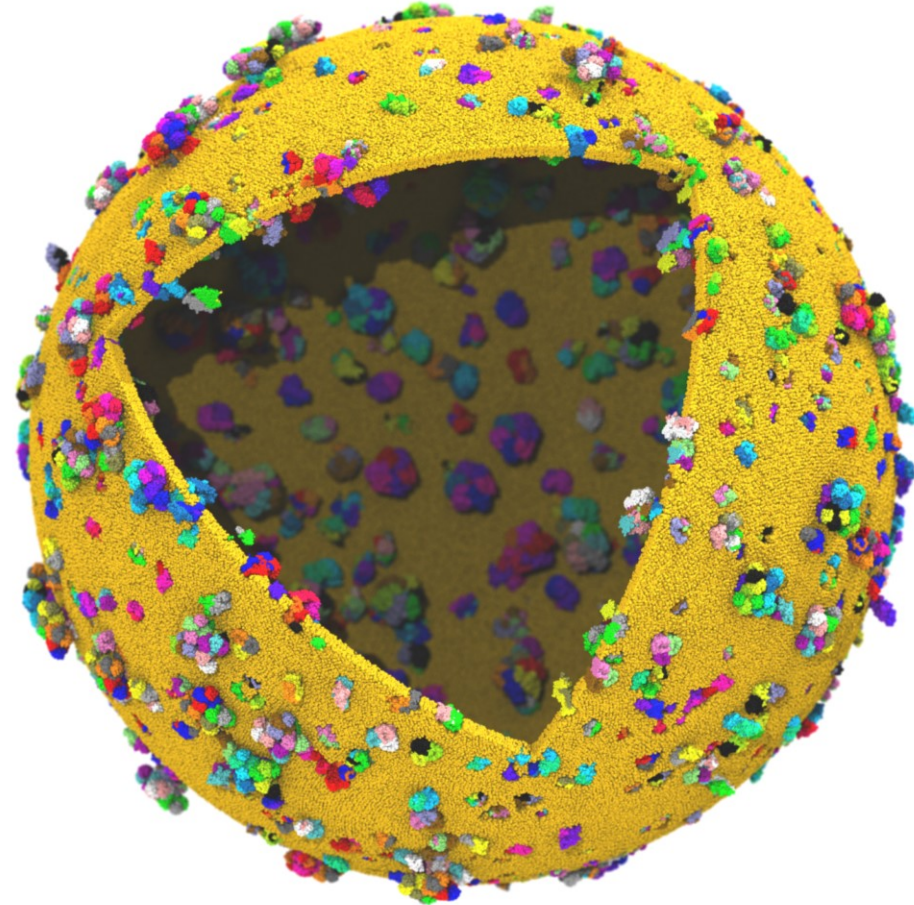
[2] Using collective variables to drive molecular dynamics simulations. G. Fiorin, M. L. Klein, and J. Hénin. *Molecular Physics*, 111:22-23, 3345-3362, 2013.

Petascale Molecular Dynamics I/O and Storage Challenges

- NAMD simulations can produce up to **10TB/day @ 1024 nodes (~20%) of ORNL Summit**, more as ongoing performance optimizations raise NAMD performance further
- Petascale science campaigns require **months of simulation runs**
- **Long-term storage of large-fractional petabytes impractical**
- **Historical “download output files for analysis and visualization” approach is a non-starter at this scale**
- Demands visualization and analysis operate on the data **in-place** on the HPC system, **whether *post-hoc, in-transit, or in-situ***
- Analyses must **identify salient features of structure, dynamics**, cull data that don't contribute to biomolecular processes of interest

Next Generation: Simulating a Proto-Cell

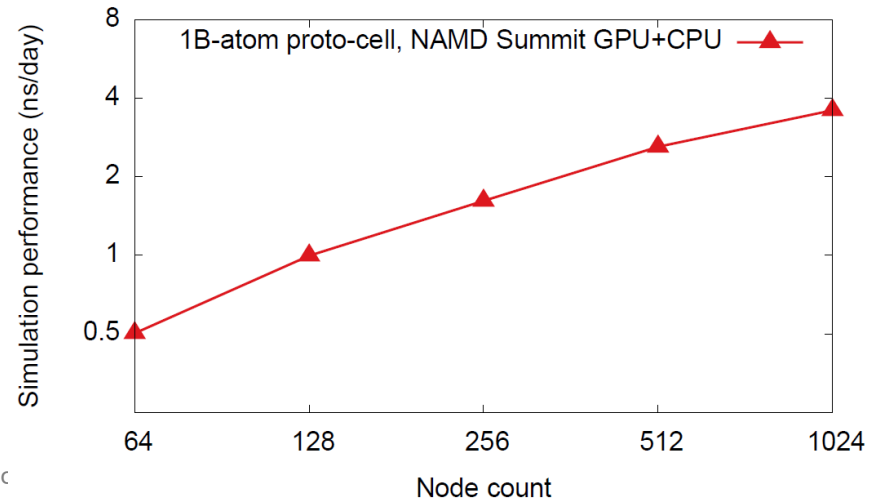
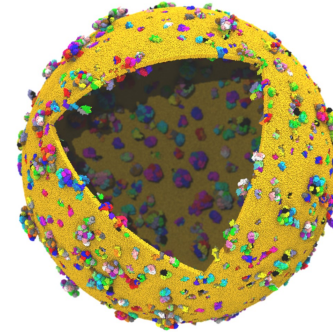
- Emulate aspects of the *Mycoplasma mycoides* bacterium
- 200nm diameter
- ~1 billion atoms w/ solvent
- ~1400 proteins in membrane



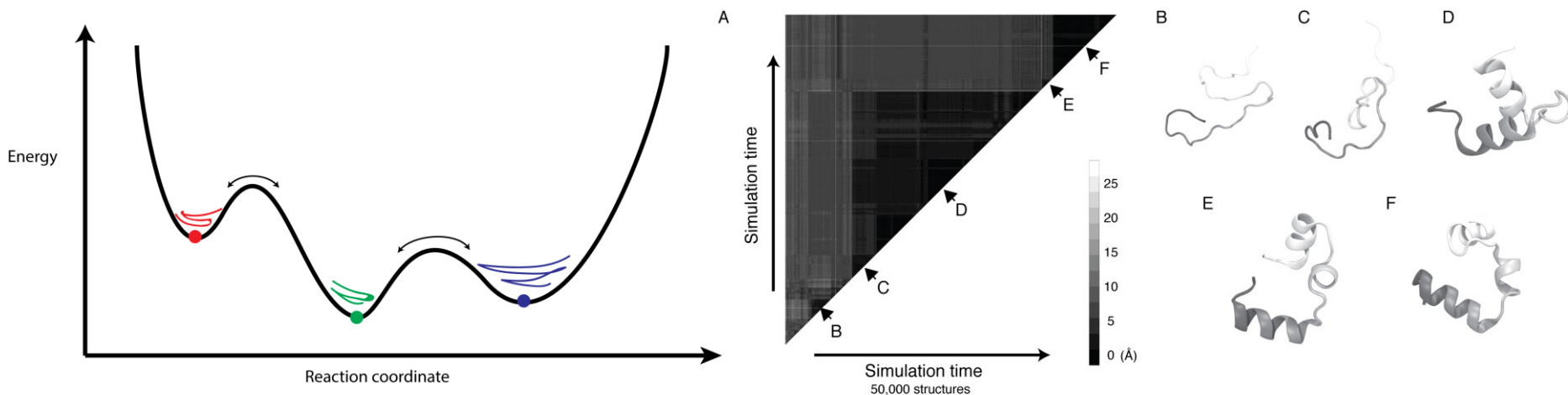
Cryo-ET image of ultra-small bacteria (scale bar 100nm)
Luef et al. Nature Comm., 6:6372, 2015.

Proto-Cell Data Challenges

- **1B-atom proto-cell requires nodes with more than TB RAM to build complete model...**
- **1B-atom proto-cell binary structure file: 63GB**
- **Trajectory frame atomic coordinates: 12GB, 1.2TB/ns of simulation (1 frame per 10ps)**
- **Routine modeling and visualization tasks are a big challenge at this scale**
 - **Models contain thousands of atomic-detail components** that must work together in harmony
 - **Exploit persistent memory technologies** to enable “instant on” operation on massive cell-scale models – eliminate several minutes of startup during analysis/visualization of known structure
 - **Sparse output of results at multiple timescales** will help ameliorate visualization and analysis I/O
 - **Data quantization, compression, APIs like ZFP**



Clustering Analysis of Molecular Dynamics Trajectories: Requires I/O+Memory for All-Pairs of Trajectory Frames



GPU-Accelerated Molecular Dynamics Clustering Analysis with OpenACC. J.E. Stone, J.R. Perilla, C. K. Cassidy, and K. Schulten. In, Robert Farber, ed., *Parallel Programming with OpenACC*, Morgan Kaufmann, Chapter 11, pp. 215-240, 2016.

VMD Petascale Visualization and Analysis

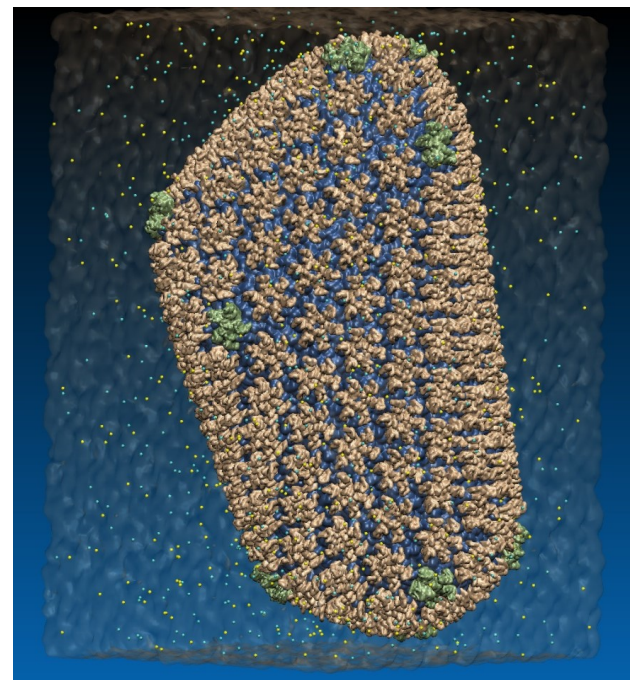
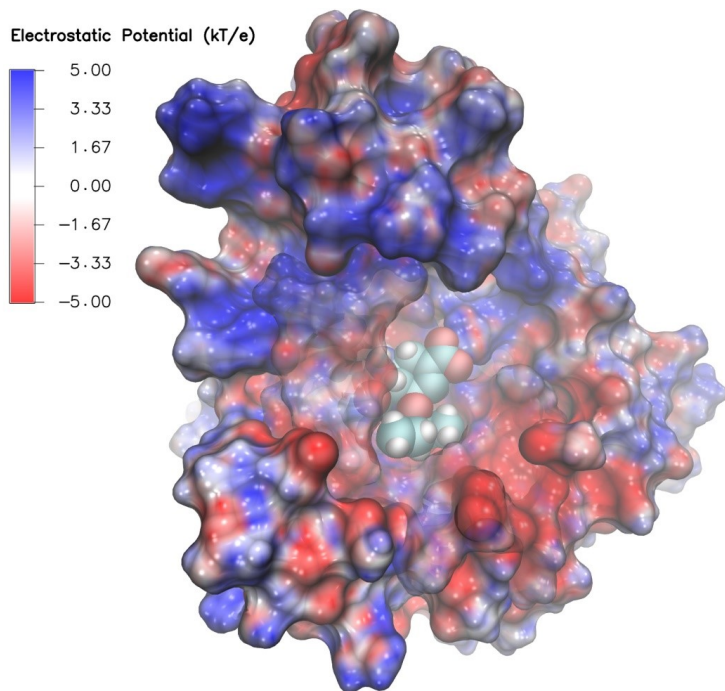
- Combination of growing system sizes and timescales of simulation trajectories poses a major data size challenge for molecular visualization and analysis
- Parallel I/O rates up to **275 GB/sec** on 8192 Cray XE6 nodes – can read in **231 TB in 15 minutes!**
- Analyze/visualize large trajectories **too large to transfer off-site:**
 - User-defined parallel analysis operations, data types
 - Parallel rendering, movie making
- Supports GPU-accelerated compute nodes for both visualization and analysis tasks:
 - GPU accelerated trajectory analysis w/ CUDA
 - OpenGL and GPU ray tracing for visualization and movie rendering



NCSA Blue Waters Hybrid Cray XE6 / XK7
22,640 XE6 dual-Opteron CPU nodes
4,224 XK7 nodes w/ Telsa K20X GPUs

Parallel VMD currently available on:
ORNL Summit and Titan, NCSA Blue
Waters, IU Big Red II, CSCS Piz Daint,
many similar systems

VMD EGL Rendering: Supports full VMD GLSL shading features Vulkan support coming soon...



Swine Flu A/H1N1 neuraminidase bound to Tamiflu

64M atom HIV-1 capsid simulation

High Performance Molecular Visualization: In-Situ and Parallel Rendering with EGL.

J. E. Stone, P. Messmer, R. Sisneros, and K. Schulten. High Performance Data Analysis and Visualization Workshop, IEEE IPDPSW, pp. 1014-1023, 2016.

NEW: Power9+V100 Interactive Remote Visualization

- Built-into VMD itself
- Enable access to massive data sets
- Uses GPU H.264 / HEVC hardware accelerated video encode/decode
- Supports interactive remote visualizations (both rasterization and ray tracing)
- Development ongoing, expected in next major VMD release, 2019...



Use of Node-Local Burst Buffers and Non-Volatile Memory DIMMs

- **Perform viz+analysis in-transit in node-local SSDs, persistent memory NVDIMMs**
- ORNL Summit I/O:
 - Parallel FS: 2.5 TB/s
 - **Node-local PCIe “burst buffer” SSDs: 10+ TB/sec, 7PB capacity**
- Plenty of capacity for full-detail MD trajectories, **could enable ~100x increase in temporal resolution** in cases where it would be valuable to the science
- **Enable all-pairs trajectory clustering analyses and resulting visualizations**
- Future systems with NVDIMMs (3D Xpoint, phase change memory) could eventually provide bandwidths approaching DRAM
- Use NVDIMMs w/ **mmap()**, **APIs like PMDK** to perform formerly-out-of-core calculations using persistent memory:
<https://github.com/pmem/pmdk>
- **Imagine future Summit-like machines w/ NVLink-connected GPUs w/ access to high-bandwidth persistent memory on each node**

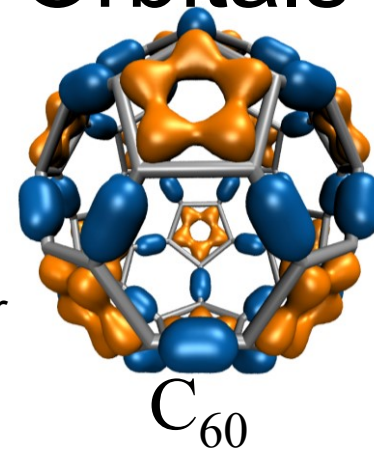
Trade FLOPS for Reduced I/O

ORNL Summit compute node:

- 6x Tesla V100 GPUs, 2x POWER9 CPUs
- GPUs Peak: ~46 DP TFLOPS, ~96 SP TFLOPS
- Peak IB rate per node: ~23GB/sec
- **Ratio of FLOPS vs. I/O:**
 - ~2,000 DP FLOPS/byte, ~4000 SP FLOPS/byte
 - ~16K FLOPS per FP word**

Unconventional approach: Recompute to avoid I/O

Computing+Visualizing Molecular Orbitals



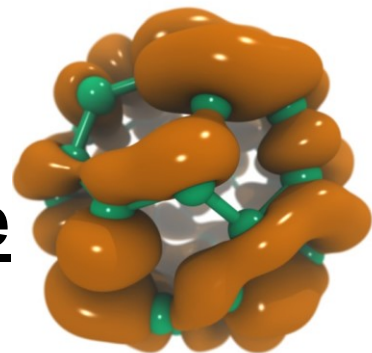
- Movies of simulation trajectories provides insight into results
- QM, and hybrid (QM/MM) MO visualizations historically done from huge “cube” files, impractical
- Store QM wavefunctions + Gaussian basis set, only 10s of KB per stored timestep compared to 100s of MB
- **Recompute MO grid on-the-fly from QM basis set, huge decrease in RAM+I/O in exchange for heavy FP arithmetic**

NAMD goes quantum: An integrative suite for hybrid simulations. Melo, M. C. R.; Bernardi, R. C.; Rudack T.; Scheurer, M.; Riplinger, C.; Phillips, J. C.; Maia, J. D. C.; Rocha, G. D.; Ribeiro, J. V.; Stone, J. E.; Neese, F.; Schulten, K.; Luthey-Schulten, Z.; *Nature Methods*, 2018.

<http://dx.doi.org/10.1038/nmeth.4638>

High Performance Computation and Interactive Display of Molecular Orbitals on GPUs and Multi-core CPUs. J. E. Stone, J. Saam, D. Hardy, K. Vandivort, W. Hwu, K. Schulten, *2nd Workshop on General-Purpose Computation on Graphics Processing Units (GPGPU-2)*, ACM International Conference Proceeding Series, volume 383, pp. 9-18, 2009.

VMD C₆₀ MO Viz. Perf, 516x519x507 Grid: @ .13s/frame, avoids 3.8GB/s I/O per-node



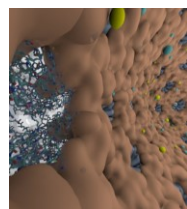
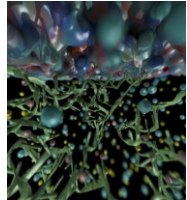
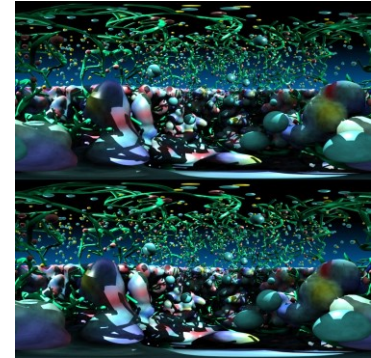
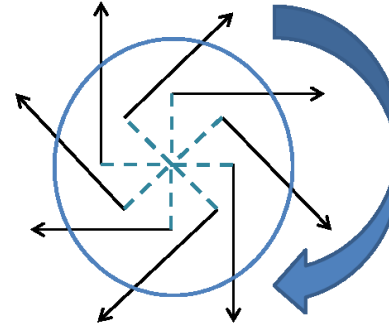
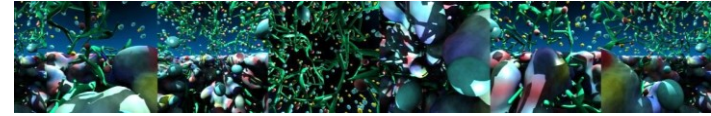
| Hardware platform | Runtime, | Speedup |
|--|----------|---------|
| IBM Power8 (ORNL 'crest') + 1x Tesla K40 [1] | 3.49s, | 1.0x |
| Intel Xeon E5-2697Av4 + 1x Tesla V100 | 0.610s, | 5.7x |
| Intel Xeon E5-2697Av4 + 2x Tesla V100 | 0.294s, | 11.8x |
| Intel Xeon E5-2697Av4 + 3x Tesla V100 | 0.220s, | 15.9x |
| IBM Power9 "Newell" + 1x Tesla V100 | 0.394s, | 8.8x |
| IBM Power9 "Newell" + 2x Tesla V100 | 0.207s, | 16.8x |
| IBM Power9 "Newell" + 3x Tesla V100 | 0.151s, | 23.1x |
| IBM Power9 "Newell" + 4x Tesla V100 | 0.130s, | 26.8x |

NVLink perf.
boost w/ no
code tuning
(YET)

[1] Early Experiences Porting the NAMD and VMD Molecular Simulation and Analysis Software to GPU-Accelerated OpenPOWER Platforms. J. E. Stone, A.-P. Hynninen, J. C. Phillips, K. Schulten. International Workshop on OpenPOWER for HPC (IWOPH'16), LNCS 9945, pp. 188-206, 2016.

Omnidirectional Stereoscopic Ray Tracing

- **Ray trace 360° images and movies for Desk and VR HMDs: Oculus, Vive, Cardboard**
- Stereo spheremaps or cubemaps allow very high-frame-rate interactive OpenGL display
- **AO lighting, depth of field, shadows, transparency, curved geometry, ...**
- **Summit 6x Tesla V100 GPU nodes:**
 - Render many omni-stereo viewpoints, no acceleration structure rebuilds, tens of frames/sec per-node!
 - OptiX multi-GPU rendering, NVLink compositing and data distribution, etc...
 - Future: AI for warping between views

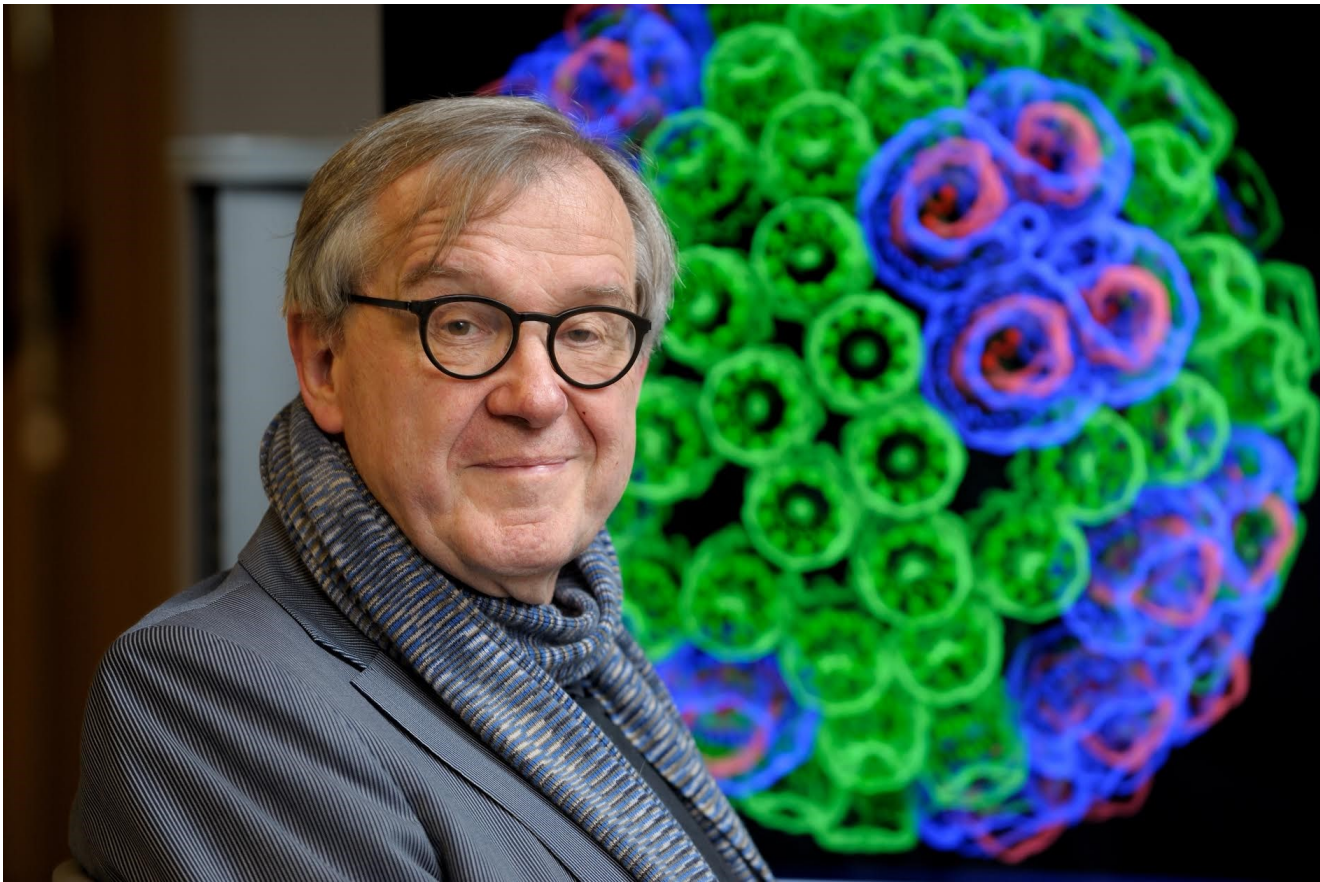


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“When I was a young man, my goal was to look with mathematical and computational means at the inside of cells, one atom at a time, to decipher how living systems work. That is what I strived for and I never deflected from this goal.” – Klaus Schulten